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SENATOR SCHROCK: Part of the problem, Senator Hartnett, is that we've tried to be successful, but we've run into snags along the way. Things have not worked out the way we would hope they would. Of course, you know, the big fire down at Nebraska City didn't help matters any. But we hope we're getting more tires processed into crumb rubber, and can be recycled that way.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Is there a lot of tires out there, Senator Schrock?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes, there is a lot of tires out there. But the big piles have been cleaned up. And there's about a million dollars of grant money available. And I think that's on an annual basis.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Okay. Thank you.

SENATOR SCHROCK: That's how many tires we use a year in the state, is about a million tires.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Mr. President, members of the body, I'd like to ask Senator Schrock some questions, if I may, please.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Senator Schrock.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Is this, in essence, LB 144, with some changes, or...?

SENATOR SCHROCK: It is LB 144.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Is there many changes to that, as... I'm just trying to grasp. I think I'm in favor of what you're doing. I have no quarrel generally with what Natural Resources Committee does, Senator Schrock, in this area. I'm waiting...

SENATOR SCHROCK: The main amendment was, we took out in a grant...we took out of the bill a grant for \$500,000 to the